

STUDY: Aberdeen-Hoquiam Corridor Project
Final Environmental Impact Statement

COMPLETED: April 2000

PURPOSE:

Improvements are needed in the Aberdeen-Hoquiam area for existing highway routes US 12, US 101, and SR 109. Operational conflicts involving truck, local, and tourist traffic occur causing traffic congestion and delays.

The purpose of the US 101 Aberdeen-Hoquiam Corridor project is to evaluate and recommend appropriate transportation improvements which would best provide a more functional, safe and efficient transportation corridor through the Cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam.

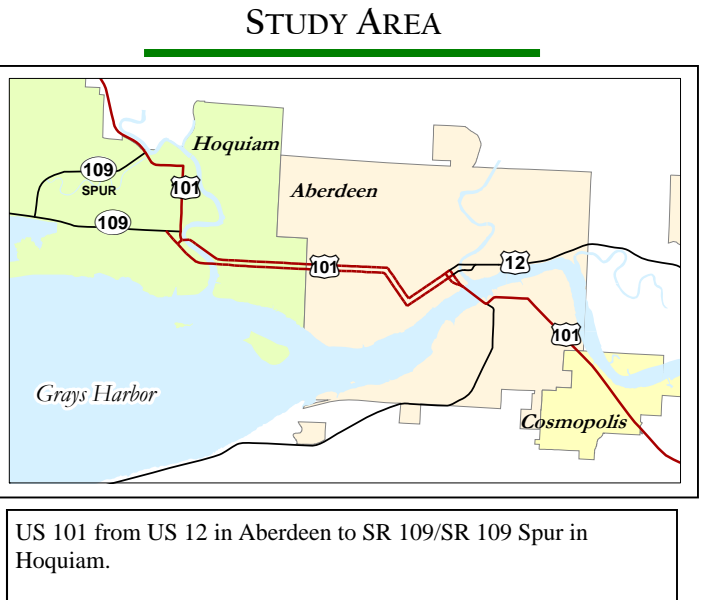
RECOMMENDATIONS:

The preferred alternative recommends an alignment for a new four-lane facility with high level structures over the Wishkah and Hoquiam Rivers through the cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam.

Segment 1 alignment begins along US 12 at the South Fleet Street intersection, crosses over the Wishkah River on a new high fixed span bridge proving a high level of clearance over the river, completes the US 101/US 12 interchange, and continues along State Street.

Segment 2 alignment continues to a fairly direct connection from State Street (at Washington St.) to Wishkah Street (at East Terminal Way), connects to a new alignment along the railroad right-of-way, and then continues to Bay Ave.

Segment 3 alignment follows Bay Avenue, crosses over the Hoquiam River on a new high fixed span bridge, continues along a new alignment south of the railroad, connects to Earley Industrial Way, and



continues to 5th Street.

Segment 4 alignment follows the 5th Street Extension and Airport Way to a new alignment north of Airport Way and west of Adams Street, continues on the new alignment and connects to SR 109 east of Paulson Road, follows SR 109, and terminates at the SR 109/SR 109 Spur junction.

Projects identified for Phase I include:

- Hoquiam River Bridge construction (Segment 3).
- State Street alignment (Segment 2).
- Construct bus pullouts on existing US 101 route, provide bike racks on busses, lift equipped busses and transit center improvements.
- Institute ride-sharing programs and/or staggered work hours to reduce commute time congestion.